

REGULAR MEETING OF COMMON COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Chippewa Falls was held on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 at 6:30 PM in the City Hall Council Chambers. Mayor Daniel N. Hedrington presiding. A Pledge of Allegiance was given.

CLERK CALLS THE ROLL

Council members present: Jack Covill, Ralph Anderl, Chuck Hull, Robert Hoekstra, Dennis Doughty. Absent: Greg Hoffman.

City staff present: Interim City Administrator Bill Forrest, City Planner Jayson Smith, Police Chief Wayne Nehring, Parks & Recreation Director William Faherty, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rick Rubenzer, Fire Chief Tom Larson, Library Director Rosemary Kilbridge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

(a) Motion by Doughty/Hoekstra, all present voting aye, to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting of November 20. **Motion carried.**

PERSONAL APPEARANCES BY CITIZENS

(a) Steve Exner, 494 Irvine Street, Chippewa Falls, and Mike Cohoon spoke to the Council about TeenServe, a non-profit organization based in Holcombe, Wisconsin. They will be organizing a workcamp in Chippewa Falls during the summer of 2009 that will help residents who are unable to complete work on their homes such as painting, building wheelchair ramps/steps, drywall and roofing.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

(a) Mayor Hedrington opened a public hearing at 6:36 PM regarding the proposed 2008 budget. No one appeared for or against and the hearing was closed at 6:37 PM.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

REPORTS

None

APPLICATIONS

(a) Motion by Doughty/Dachel, all present voting aye to approve Operator (Bartender) Licenses as recommended by the Police Department. **Motion carried.**

(b) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye, to approve the Street Use Permit Application of Roger Skifstad on behalf of the Chi Hi Cross Country Team, for Chilly Chippewa 5K Run/Walk on March 1. **Motion carried.**

(c) Motion by Covill/Dachel, all present voting aye, to approve the Alcohol Beverage License Application of Don Baker, Bridge Street Station LLC. for Bridge Street Station located at 212 N. Bridge Street. **Motion carried.**

PETITIONS

None

MAYOR ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENTS

None

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hedrington thanked Parks & Recreation Director Bill Faherty and all involved for the great job on the Christmas lights in Irvine Park this year.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty to approve the minutes of the Committee #1, Revenues, Disbursements, Water and Wastewater meeting of November 27. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye, to approve the minutes of the Committee #2, Labor Negotiations, Personnel Policy and Administration meeting of November 26.

REPORT OF OFFICERS

None

ORDINANCES

(a) The first reading of **Ordinance 2007-27 Entitled:** An Ordinance Annexing Territory to the City of Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin was held.

RESOLUTIONS

(a) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty to approve **Resolution 2007-36 Entitled:** Resolution Authorizing 2008 General-Public Shared Ride Taxi Agreement. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

(b) Motion by Hoekstra/Dachel to defer **Resolution 2007-37 Entitled:** Resolution to Levy Taxes and consider it after Item 15(b). **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

OTHER NEW OR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AS AUTHORIZED BY LAW

(a) Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye, to cancel the January 1, 2008 regular council meeting.

(b) Motion by Doughty/Dachel to approve the 2008 proposed budget with an amendment to increase Police Department Salaries by \$2,914.38. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

RESOLUTIONS(cont.)

(b) Motion by Doughty/Hoekstra to approve **Resolution 2007-37 Entitled:** Resolution to Levy Taxes with the City's levy amount of \$5,515,311.19 and State, County, School District, VTAE, and Business Improvement District levies of \$9,494,184.82. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

CLAIMS

The Claims Committee met at 6:00 PM before the regular meeting to review the claims for payment by the various departments of the city. **Motion by Doughty/Hoekstra** to approve the payment of the claims listed below. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

City General Claims: \$6,645.06

Authorized/Handwritten Claims: \$174,808.45

CLOSED SESSION (6:50 PM)

Motion by Hoekstra/Dachel, all present voting aye, to go into closed session under 19.85(1)(e) for "deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session" to consider: **A. Discuss negotiating with Capstar Partners for an amendment to the Contingent Sale Agreement dated August 29, 2007 and subsequent amendments, may return to open session,** and to include City Attorney Bob Ferg, City Clerk Lynne Bauer, City Planner Jayson Smith, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rick Rubenzer, and Interim City Administrator Bill Forrest. The Council discussed this matter.

CLOSED SESSION(cont.)

Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty, all present voting aye, to go back into open session. **Motion carried.**

Motion by Hoekstra/Doughty to recommend the Council authorize the Mayor to sign the Capstar letter dated December 3, 2007. **After a roll call vote, said motion passed unanimously.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Covill/Doughty, all voting aye to adjourn at 7:30 PM. **Motion carried.**

Submitted by:

Lynne Bauer
City Clerk